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Incidents in Connection With the Wreck of the Walla Walla.

Capt. Johnson of the Dispatch Tells of Rescue of Passengers.

Miss Williams Very Nearly Missed the Steamer at San Francisco.

There is little new to tell of the wreck of the passenger steamer Walla Walla. The San Francisco papers containing the first reports of the disaster were received yesterday, but contain no more than was received by telegraph.

It was by the merest chance that Miss Williams, principal of the Girls' Central school of this city was a passenger on the ill-fated steamer. Miss Williams spent the Christmas holidays at the residence of W. D. Clausen in Sausalito. She booked her passage home on the Walla Walla, but by some mischance missed the Sausalito ferry that morning and realized that the vessel was about to sail without her. After a moment's thought she sent to the telephone office and rang up the company's offices in San Francisco, notifying the company of what had occurred and asking permission to board the Walla Walla in midstream. Permission was granted and Miss Williams almost immediately set sail in the launch Gazelle from Sausalito. The Walla Walla was not off the city front just after it had left the wharf. The engines were stopped, a ladder was lowered over the side and Miss Williams climbed aboard to take the most eventful voyage of her life.

The steamer Dispatch, which rescued many of the passengers of the Walla Walla arrived at Seattle on Monday night.

"To begin at the beginning," Capt. Johnson said, "we sailed from San Francisco New Year's day and were passed that afternoon by the Walla Walla. Little did I think then that my ship would be called upon to render life-saving service."

"Well, that was the last time I saw her. The Walla Walla passed and I thought nothing more about her until 8 o'clock the morning of January 2, when we picked up a lifeboat containing three firemen. These men—I suppose I will have to designate them as men—told me the Walla Walla had sunk—that just one save themselves was left to tell the tale. At first I was inclined to discredit them. They stuck to their story after they were aboard, so I had to believe them. Then it dawned on me what they had done, sneaked away like cowards, three sailors in a strong boat, capable of carrying many, and left helpless women and men to drown."

"Within a short time we came upon another lifeboat and another and another. Until we had four boats and four life rafts, all told. We cruised and cruised, picking up people here, there and everywhere. Such scenes! Such suffering! Such hardships! Some were huddled aboard in a strong boat, others practically nude, and many had borne up with remarkable strength and vitality. We had to handle them roughly getting them aboard. The sea was rough, the ropes had snapped, and then, while they were hauled up with much gentleness as possible under the circumstances, it seemed more like hoisting freight. But the people, poor things, were complaining. They were, too, most grateful."

"Miss Gertrude Cadien, was one of the heroines. She is a remarkable girl. She will not scold me, I guess, if I tell that she appeared before me in a night dress and night shoes, and that she did not lead. I felt like crying when I saw her. She was pulled aboard and I gave her a pair of my trousers, which she put on. By this time she had come fully to her senses. What do you think she did first? Well, she turned to and commenced caring for those aboard and those still being rescued. She had no thought of herself, apparently. And I tell you she rendered good service, too. The rescued had to be cared for."

"Capt. Hall was well nigh unconscious when he landed on the deck of the Dispatch. In pulling him aboard he seemed to have collapsed and became so much dead weight. When we got him aboard he was almost speechless and could scarcely stand. As he came to be half raised his hand and pointing out to sea said, 'Captain, there are more out there—there are more people out there.' It was almost a mutter. But the words disclosed what a noble man Andrew L. Hall is. His thoughts were, as they had been when he stood on the bridge of his ship, of the women and children, for his people's passengers. It was a pathetic scene; it was touching beyond description to see this brave sailor's heart going out to the perishing."

"Then I told the captain I was a statesman. The scene changed; my state room. I gave him a pair of my trousers. He got them on and by this time he was in full possession of himself. Meanwhile, following his usual for the day, he was in a better humor toward the three skulking firemen. I think they are extremely lucky that they were not killed by Capt. Hall for what they did. I don't know the name of the boatswain referred to by Hall."

"I have a settlement myself to make with one of the Walla Walla crew, and it will be a final one when it does come. I don't know his name, but I have his picture engraved on my memory. Ten years' time will not efface it, and I will find him in that time. I don't know what his position was, but I guess he was a 'flunky,' as we sailors call them. Here is what he did. An elderly lady had been rescued, as had the flunky. She lay half-unconscious on the Dispatch, and this creature, without even waiting for her to revive, kept saying, 'I saved your life—I saved your life. If it had not been for me you would not be here.' The poor woman held a purse in her hand and this scoundrel thought he could induce her to give him a reward. I am told that he was most persistent and insulting. The woman went ashore at Eureka. Her tormentor

followed her—he kept following her about the town begging for a reward until she finally turned, and landing the brute she pursued. 'There is my purse and it contains all the money I have. Take the purse and all.' And do you think this wretch took it? Yes, he did. The woman afterwards told me what she had done. The purse contained \$630. I tried to find this man in Eureka, and I will find him yet. I'm only sorry that I don't know his name."

"Miss Cadien came to me after she had been on the Dispatch some time and said that on leaving the Walla Walla she had a five-dollar gold piece and a gold watch in her hand. 'I don't care anything about the money,' she said, 'but as the watch was given to me, won't you have the boat we were taken from searched?'"

"I did so, the lifeboat having been abandoned about the Dispatch. Neither watch nor money could be found. Finally Edward Elwell, my steward, made a search of my stateroom and found the watch on the washstand, where Miss Cadien had left it. Throughout her long life and death struggle in the water she held to that watch. The incident gives a faint idea of what a strain and excitement those poor shipwrecked people were under. It was an awful experience. I got some idea of it, but no one save those in the disaster will ever know what those people suffered. Man after man, woman after woman, came aboard my ship almost destitute of clothing. I had a pretty good stock of wardrobe aboard, but it was quickly exhausted. The crew uncomplainingly gave up all of the extra clothes they had. Indeed, we did all we could. At least, I tried to do my best."

Revolt in Liberal Ranks

Cowichan Elects Delegates to Convention and Protests Against Executive.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Nanaimo, Jan. 7.—Cowichan Liberals held a meeting last night at Duncan and elected Alex. Herd, W. Ford and Angus McKinnon delegates to the Vancouver convention. The delegates were instructed to vote in favor of the adoption of party lines in provincial politics. A resolution was passed by the association endorsing the action of the Provincial Liberal executive.

The British Columbia Rugby union will meet here on Saturday afternoon after the match between Vancouver and the Hornets of this city.

Capt. A. L. Johnston, of the Pacific Fish & Cold Storage Co., is now here. He has received a direct message from Captain Hall of the Walla Walla in which the latter states that he can give no hopes that Mrs. Johnston has been saved. Capt. Johnston is now led to think that his wife probably was at sea at the time of the accident, and was killed in collision. Her stateroom companion is known to have been killed in this manner.

CAITS IN COLLISION.

Six People Injured in Toronto Tramway Accident.

Toronto, Jan. 7.—As the result of a collision of two electric cars at the corner of Bloor street and Dover court road last night, six persons were more or less severely injured. The failure of the brakes to act properly was the cause of the collision.

Death of A Judge

Mr. Justice Gwynne of Supreme Court Bench Dies at Ripe Age.

Victoria and Vancouver Men Sail on First Transport For Africa.

Injuries to Major Woodside Not As Serious as First Supposed.

Ottawa, Jan. 7.—(Special.)—Justice Gwynne, one of the judges of the Supreme Court of Canada, passed away at an early hour this morning in his 88th year. He has been ailing for some weeks, but occupied his position on the bench during the whole November term.

Hon. John Wellington Gwynne was born at Castleknock, Ireland, on March 30, 1814. He graduated from Trinity college, Dublin, came to Canada in 1832, was called to the bar in 1837. After practicing at Toronto he went to England and studied at Lincoln's Inn. He then returned to Canada, was created a Q. C. in 1850, was appointed a judge of Court of Common Pleas in 1868 and a Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Canada in 1879.

Hon. David Mills may take the position on the Supreme Court Bench made vacant by the death of Judge Gwynne, but in the event of his deciding to remain in politics the general impression is that Mr. S. H. Blake will be the government's choice.

It is stated today with great definiteness that the C. P. R. will co-operate to the fullest extent with Marconi in furnishing business to and from the proposed station on the Cape Breton coast. Marconi will probably leave here tomorrow for New York. Mr. Lemieux, M. P., was here today and offered him facilities for station on St. Ann's Mountain, Gaspe Peninsula. Marconi says, however, that there is no particular advantage in locating the station on a mountain as masts would have to be erected just the same.

Lieut.-Col. Henry Smith, formerly D. O. C., London district, has been appointed a member of the medal claims board in succession to Major Bliss, who is going to South Africa with the Mounted Rifles.

Following are the nursing sisters whose names have been sent to the War office for approval for service in South Africa: Miss Forbes, Liverpool, N. S.; Miss Hurwood, Ottawa; Miss Macdonald, Picton, N. S.; Miss Fortescue, Kingston, and a fifth from London, Ont.

Talifax, N. S., Jan. 7.—(Special.)—The transport Manhattan will sail January 14, carrying D. E. and B. squadrons of easterners and troop four, squadron A, the last named being Vancouver and Victoria men, and four men from Revelstoke. The balance of the Westerners and Col. Evanson's men are now being sent to South Africa.

Lieut. Woodside, who was injured by falling from his horse while on parade yesterday, is resting easily today. His injuries are not so serious as at first supposed. The injured troopers are also doing well.

SIR WILLIAM MACDONALD.

Makes Another Grant to Aid Education in Ontario.

Toronto, Jan. 7.—Sir William Macdonald, of Montreal, has made a further donation to the cause of education in Ontario. He has offered the provincial government to provide for the establishment of graded schools in sections where several small school houses are doing work, which might better be done by large graded schools. The amount of the donation will depend largely upon the requirements.

SIR CHARLES DILLKE.

Does Not Have Much Knowledge of Colonial Patriotism.

Toronto, Jan. 7.—The Evening Telegram's cable from London, says Charles Dillke at a meeting of the Shipmasters' society made a speech referring to the Admiralty sending training ships to Newfoundland, and the Admiralty were troubled lest they should be spending money to increase the efficiency of United States seamen and indicating that the colonists might be induced to enter into Uncle Sam's navy after they had received their training.

NORTH WEST LAND.

C. P. R. Taking Steps to Prevent Speculators Getting Undue Advantage.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 7.—It is announced here that the C. P. R. will in future demand one-sixth cash payment for all lands sold to persons who do not propose to settle, but rather to purchase for speculation. It has hitherto been the practice to charge as the first payment one-tenth the purchase price, this privilege of future will be allowed only to actual settlers. The principal land department has during the year just closed disposed of 151,079 acres of land. Of this 92,147 acres were Manitoba and North Western lands. This shows a very large increase over 1900, when only 52,642 acres were disposed of. The remarkably fine weather continues throughout the entire west, and the demand for farm lands continues unabated. Manitoba's remarkable progress is said to be attracting the attention of the Northern Pacific, and it is believed to be in certain quarters the desire of that road to again enter the province.

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